

Spring and Summer 2012 - IEFA Professional Development Opportunities

(Check the OPI – IEFA website regularly for updates – Hot Topics and Professional Development)

APRIL-MAY

CSPD – IEFA ONLINE BOOK CLUBS, MOODLE PLATFORM

APRIL 9 – MAY 25, 2012, *The Dance House* by Joseph Marshall. OPI Renewal. Facilitator, Sindie Spencer Kennedy

APRIL 9 – MAY 20, 2012, *Getting To Know Our Neighbor*. OPI Renewal. Facilitator, Sindie Spencer Kennedy.

Additional Information, see IEFA BOOK CLUBS

Click here to register on the Montana Professional Development Portal

CSPD – MONTANA TRIBAL HISTORIES WORKSHOPS, VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Participants will receive copies and integrate strategies and content from the MT OPI documents *The Framework: A Practical Guide for Montana Teachers and Administrators Implementing Indian Education for All* (Elser) and *Montana Tribal Histories: Educators Resource Guide and Companion DVD* (Cajune). Based on the MT Essential Understandings Regarding Montana Indians and multicultural education, lessons may include Tribal Creation Stories, Colonization, Treaties and Sovereignty, Reservations, Boarding Schools, Allotment and Homesteading, Indian Reorganization Act, and Relocation and Termination. 3 hr OPI Renewal. NO COST.

APRIL 11, 2012, Kalispell, 4:30 – 7:30 pm, Linderman Educ Cntr. Facilitator, Sandy Vashro

APRIL 17, 2012, Missoula, 4:30, Rattlesnake School, Facilitator, Suzette Archibald

MAY 2, 2012, Bitterroot, 4:30 – 7:30. Victor School. Rm. V. Facilitator, Chris Kuschel

Click here to register on the Montana Professional Development Portal

Need assistance with creating an account or registering? Contact Sindie Kennedy, sindiekennedy@wmcspd.org, 406-728-2400, Ext. 1031

**APRIL 12-15, 2012, MONTANA INDIAN EDUCATION ASSOCIATION
CONFERENCE (MIEA),** Grantree Inn, Bozeman, MT

The 31st Annual Montana Indian Education Conference will be held at the Best Western Plus Gran Tree Inn in Bozeman April 12-15. The theme this year is "Leadership through Action and Participation." The conference is open to everyone involved in Indian education, both Indian student achievement and Indian Education for All, from preschool to college. The conference begins with an opening reception Thursday evening at 6:00 pm, continues with an awards banquet Saturday evening, and concludes Sunday morning.

Registration forms and information are available at www.mtiea.org.

MAY 18-19, 2012, MONTANA SITE STEWARDSHIP TRAINING, 8:30 am – 5:00 pm. University of Montana Western, Dillon, MT

The Montana Site Stewardship program trains volunteers to protect archaeological and historical sites for the purposes of conservation, study, and interpretation. If you would like to become a Montana Site Steward, please consider attending. If you know of anyone who may be interested in becoming a Site Steward, please pass on this information. At the Dillon training we will spend the first day in the "classroom" at University of Montana Western learning about site stewardship. We have a great lineup of guest speakers including Leo Ariwite from the Shoshone-Bannock Tribe, and many archaeologists including Jason Strahl, Shannon Gilbert, and Ryan Powell. There will also be a flint knapping demonstration. The second day we will spend in the field at two archaeological sites (one being a fascinating rock art site) learning how to recognize archaeological sites and their components including artifacts, rock art, and historic mining structures. NO COST. Free lunch will be provided both days. **Registration deadline: May 11, 2011**

To register contact Crystal Alegria at calegria@montana.edu or visit our webpage at [http://www.projectarchaeology.org/MT Stewards.htm](http://www.projectarchaeology.org/MT_Stewards.htm)

MAY-JUNE

**MAY 31 – JUNE 1, 2012, PVCC/PESA EASTERN MT INDIAN EDUCATION FOR ALL
INSTITUTE,** Dawson Community College, Glendive, MT

Presenters and topics include: Dr. Tammy Elser (*The Framework: A Practical Guide for Montana Teachers and Administrators Implementing Indian Education for All*); Joe McGeshick (IEFA from A-Z); Leo Bird and Jennifer Flatlip (*Montana Skies – Blackfeet and Crow Astronomy*); Dottie Susag (IEFA Book Talks and OPI Resources); and Dr. Michael Scarlett (The Federal Boarding School Era). No cost for the workshop, OPI Renewal available. Undergraduate credit from DCC (Dawson

Community College) at \$27.38. One graduate credit from MSU-Billings at \$125.00.

TO REGISTER, email Kim Stanton (pvcc@midrivers.com) and provide name, school, grade level, cell or home phone and email. Participants are required to mail a \$25 deposit (check made out to PVCC) to Kim Stanton, 707 South Stacy, Miles City, MT 59301. The \$25 deposit will be refunded the first day of class.

Contact Kim Stanton, 406-853-1908/pvcc@midrivers.com

JUNE 4-22, 2012 MONTANA WRITING PROJECT INSTITUTE, Chinook High School, Chinook, MT 9:00am – 4:00 pm

Participants will: pursue targeted interests during a three-week intensive Summer Institute; explore current and foundational research of writing as a tool for thinking and learning; engage in inquiry through writing and reading; prepare and demonstrate presentations that could be shared with districts and departments; network and learn with teachers from across the Hi-Line; discover strategies for empowering students to be producers of knowledge, increasing literacy across the content areas and addressing the Montana Common Core shifts in literacy; learn and apply Indian Education for All strategies and philosophies in a local setting; earn 90 OPI renewal units –OR- 7 graduate credits through UM by paying a \$135.00 recording fee.

Hi-Line 2012 Information

To request an application, email donnamiller@itstriangle.com

Also see MWP Summer Institutes

JUNE 5-8, 2012, MSU-BILLINGS SUMMER INSTITUTE HISTORY MATTERS, Billings, MT

Julie Cajune, Executive Director of the Center for American Indian Policy and Applied Research Center at Salish Kootenai College, recently completed a three-year project developing tribal history materials funded by the Montana State Legislature. Julie will share her findings in her Wednesday keynote presentation *History Matters* and in her session *Montana Tribal Histories and Governments*.

Contact Marsha Sampson, 406-657-2085/MSampson@msubillings.edu

Also SEE Summer at MSUB

JUNE 11-12, 2012, A GRAND UNION: CONECTING STUDENTS TO PLACE, Fort Benton, MT. (Note: Workshop includes partial IEFA focus.)

Explore Fort Benton, “the birthplace of Montana,” and learn how its buildings reflect its rich history. Discover how you can use historic places and community studies to engage your students and meet the new Common Core standards.

Acquire new resources for researching the history and architecture of your own community and learn how—and why—other teachers have incorporated local history research into their classrooms.

Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be provided Monday evening; lunch will be provided on Tuesday. A limited number of travel scholarships are available. Ten OPI Renewal units. Cost – FREE. Limited to 40 participants.

Co-sponsored by the Montana Historical Society, the River and Plains Society, and the Golden Triangle Curriculum Cooperative

Schedule and registration

JUNE 11 – JULY 6, MONTANA WRITING PROJECT INSTITUTE, University of Montana, Missoula, MT, Four-week program.

The MWP Summer Institute (ENT 540) is a writing- and teaching-intensive, four-week program at the University of Montana-Missoula. The MWP invites teachers of all content areas, kindergarten through university levels, to participate in the Summer Institute. Generally, mornings are devoted to writing experiences for all participants, writing workshops and editing groups, presentations by visiting consultants, review of curriculum materials, and research interpretation for classroom implementation. In the afternoons, participants present workshops based on personal, successful teaching strategies, participate in “hot topics” discussions and book talks. Throughout the Summer Institute, participants have hands-on experience in writing across the curriculum and with the computer as a tool for writing and teaching writing. Throughout the academic year, MWP Teacher-Consultants conduct in-service activities that promote and improve the teaching of writing in their schools and districts. They also participate in follow-up activities such as developing curriculum guides, assessing writing skills of Montana students, attending programs and presenting sessions at professional meetings.

Also see MWP Summer Institutes.
Summer Institute Application 2012

JUNE 11–14, 2012, PROJECT ARCHEOLOGY INVESTIGATING A PLAINS TIPI, Museum of the Rockies, Bozeman, MT. Two graduate credits. Instructor, Crystal Alegria

Learn how the exciting field of archaeology can bring literacy, science, social studies, math, and scientific inquiry to your classroom. A full copy of the Project Archaeology materials is yours to take home.

Registration opens March. 26. See full course descriptions and registration information.

JUNE 18-19, 2012 INDIAN EDUCATION FOR ALL INSTITUTE Missoula, Holiday Inn
(More information to follow – Check OPI Hot Topics and Professional Development)

Led by Julie Cajune and Tammy Elser, participants in the interactive workshop will experience tribal content blended with best practices teaching pedagogy using the *Montana Tribal Histories: Educators Resource Guide and Companion DVD* and *The Framework: A practical Guide for Montana Teachers and Administrators Implementing Indian Education for All*.

To register, please email Joan Franke, jfranke@mt.gov with the following information: NAME, SCHOOL, SUMMER ADDRESS; SUMMER EMAIL ADDRESS; PHONE #; POSITION AND GRADE LEVEL; AND ANY SPECIAL FOOD NEEDS.

Contact: Mike Jetty, mjetty@mt.gov/406-444-0720

**JUNE 18-19, 2012 TREASURES FOR TEACHING THE TREASURE STATE:
MONTANA HISTORY RESOURCES FOR ELEMENTARY CLASSROOMS**, Helena, MT
(Note: Workshop includes some IEFA focus.)

Discover interactive lessons to introduce your students to Montana history. Learn how introducing grade school students to primary sources can excite them about history, teach them media literacy, hone their historical thinking skills, and help you meet the new Common Core standards. Discover other teachers' best lessons and share your experience to improve the Montana Historical Society's hands-on history footlockers. There will be a reception with heavy hors d'oeuvres Monday evening, and lunch will be provided both days. A limited number of travel scholarships are available. Fifteen OPI Renewal units. Limited to 30 participants. Cost – FREE. Sponsored by the Montana Historical Society.

Schedule and registration

JUNE 28-30, 2012, DAVID THOMPSON KALISPEL ENCAMPMENT, Rocky Point Ranch, Thompson Falls, 2012. OPI renewal units and Continuing Education credits through MSU-Northern. Co-sponsored by David Thompson Bicentennial Partnership, the Office of Public Instruction and the Montana Historical Society.

From 1807-1811, David Thompson, a North West Co. employee, established contact with the Kalispel, Kootenai, and Salish tribes and built trading posts in present day British Columbia, Washington, Idaho, and Montana. The educator workshop and encampment in Thompson Falls will provide interactive opportunities for educators to learn traditional Kalispel skills over the course of two days. The opening evening event will include a tipi raising contest and campfire presentation by respected Kalispel elders and Jack Nisbet. Side by side with the Kalispel encampment will be a camp of fur trade living history instructors

from Friends of Spokane House. The two "villages" will trade, communicate, and collaborate much the same as encampments during the fur trade era.

For more information on costs and registration information, email Deb Mitchell at dmitchell@mt.gov.

JULY

JULY 9-27, 2012, MONTANA WRITING PROJECT, SOUTHEAST MONTANA INVITATIONAL SUMMER INSTITUTE, Skyview High School, Billings, MT

The Montana Writing Project recognizes the need to educate Montana students about the contemporary and historical contributions of Indian peoples in this state. MWP is committed to the promise of reconciliation inherent in Indian Education for All and the mandate that IEFA be incorporated at all grade levels and in all subject areas. The 2012 Eastern Montana Summer Institute will be an intensive three week course blending Native cultures, place-based education and best literacy practices.

For information or an application, contact:

Marcia Beaumont, beaumontm@billingsschools.org, 406-281-5969

Or

Casey Olsen, cougarenglish@gmail.com, 406-290-9798

Also see [MWP Summer Institutes](#).

JULY 22-28, 2012, MONTANA WRITING PROJECT INSTITUTE, WORLDS APART BUT NOT STRANGERS - HOLOCAUST EDUCATION AND INDIAN EDUCATION FOR ALL Missoula, MT,

***** NOTE: APPLICATION DEADLINE APRIL 20, 2012**

One of five satellite seminars nationwide, sponsored by New York City's Memorial Library in New York City and the Montana Writing Project, *Worlds Apart But Not Strangers* will be held in Missoula, Montana from July 22-July 28, 2012. This institute is designed for individuals who currently teach or are interested in teaching the Jewish Holocaust and/or Indian Education for All, and would like to discover ways to make connections between these topics. Relevant to teachers grades 4-12 as well as college and university faculty, the purpose of the course is to provide novice and experienced teachers with knowledge about and teaching strategies for both Holocaust Education and Indian Education for All, using literacy, and especially writing, as tools to drive inquiry. Offered at NO COST.

Additional information and Application - [Worlds Apart But Not Strangers](#)

JULY 26-27, 2012, DVDs, POETRY, AND WRITING STRATEGIES TO MEET COMMON CORE STANDARDS, Hampton Inn, Great Falls, MT, 8:30 am – Noon and

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm Daily, Presenter – Dorothea M. Susag, Target Audience – Grades 5-12 Educators

Participants will view and review engaging DVDs, Poems in the new OPI Montana Indian Poetry Collection, and Picture Books, with strategies and activities that help teachers meet the requirements of the Common Core Standards and Indian Education for All. Participants will design their own units or lessons for using Native-authored poems, picture books, or DVDs. Resources will be available for review and loan during the workshop as well as the opportunity to make digital copies of bibliographies. This is low stress with take-back activities that can be implemented easily right away. OPI Renewal or graduate credit available.

Online Registration Information – See [SUMMER INSTITUTE 2012](#)